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<b>(54) Title:</b> LOW SOUND SPEED DAMPING MATERIALS AND METHODS OF USE  <b>(57) Abstract</b>  A composition for reducing vibrations, including both damping structure borne vibrations and reducing radiated airborne noise. The composition is either a mixture of at least two different granular materials, or is a granular material having a bulk sound speed of less than 90 m/s. The damping properties of a mixture can be calculated from the bulk densities and stiffnesses of its individual components.		